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Capital paid up - \$14,000,000
Reserve Fund - \$11,000,000
Assets - \$195,000,000

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Interest allowed on deposits at current rates from date of open-
ing account and credited quarterly, on the last day of March, June,
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Capital Authorized - \$10,000,000
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Commercial and Farming Paper Discounted.

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S. M. MACLEOD, Manager

C.N.R. IS MAKING HEADWAY.
On the Improvements to the Existing
Lines.

Winnipeg, Sept. 25.—Speaking of
the affairs of the Canadian National
generally, Wm. Mackenzie, president,
said today that a great deal of better-
ment work had been done this year on
the line under operation and there
was now in pretty good shape for
the fall and winter traffic. Work on
the line under construction would

be pushed forward vigorously until
winter compelled suspension of opera-
tions. The only new work that
would be undertaken this year would
be from Saskatoon southwestward to
the well settled district now without
railway facilities. The construction
of a line to Hudson's Bay will be
quickly presented, and it is quite
within range of probabilities that
the new union depot will carry a part
of the Winnipeg business now in
the bank in northern tide water.

From Day to Day

Out in the Greenwood.

A windmill wind hath come from out
carrying sweet perfume on its way
to the north.
Warm the sunshine laughs in yonder
glades,
Then strays beyond to quiet woodland
shades.
Bubbles the breast of silent forest, dark
hills hidden 'neath the hemlock, pink
and white.
And over all here, and there, and all
around,
Where'er I glance the presence dore
is found.
I live and love and living live for thee,
As there is no heaven, and thou, my
dear, shall be.
—Muriel Merrill.

SOCIAL

Miss Katherine MacKenzie of Bon-
aventure, Toronto, and Miss Nadine Ross
are in band for a holiday.
The engagement is announced in Ottawa
of Miss E. Macdonald the long, daughter
of the late Mr. A. B. Macdonald, to
Mr. J. W. Taylor, of Ottawa, Alberta.
The wedding will take place about the
end of this month.
Miss Margaret Graydon, a well-
known barmaid of London, Ontario,
and cousin of Mr. U. H. Graydon, is
registered at the Alberta.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. Horace Hunt will not receive on
Friday of this week and not again until
the Friday of October 1st.
Mrs. Geo. A. Bell, 504 Fourth street,
will receive on Friday next, the 27th
inst., and the following Friday, and
thereafter on the last Friday of each
month.

GIBBONS-OSLER.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 24.—A fashionable
wedding was celebrated here today at
St. Anne's Church, when Mary E. Osler,
youngest daughter of H. R. Osler, M. P.,
was married to George
Gibbons of London. Rev. Francis
Macdonald of Trinity College performed
the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Prof.
Clark and Rev. E. C. Cayley. Allan
Hartley of Kingston, Miss Mary Graydon
and Miss Helen Davidson of London,
Miss Marion Graydon, Dundas, and
Miss Meredith, Toronto, being the
bridesmaids. Miss Julia Cayley was maid
of honor.

BOOTH-GIBSON.

There took place recently at Petrolia
the marriage of Mr. Charles Jackson
Booth, son of Mr. J. B. Booth, the well-
known lumberman, of Ottawa, to Miss
Jessie Gibson, daughter of the late W.
C. Gibson, of Petrolia. The church was
decorated with palms and white flowers.
The bride, who was given away by Mr.
J. B. Booth, an old family friend,
was escorted in an Empire robe of Irish
linen and Valenciennes, her bridal veil
lying in graceful folds from a wreath of
orange blossoms. She wore an exquisite
diamond and sapphire pendant, the gift
of the bridegroom, a beautiful diamond
from Mr. J. B. Booth. The brilliant pro-
cession was led by Messrs. B. S. Van
Ness, George P. McMillan, J. P. T.
McMillan, of Petrolia, and T. S. Char-
terton, Colborne, followed by the brides-
maids, Miss Belle Moncrieff and Miss
Nielsen Kerk. Seated in white mar-
riage chairs trimmed with silver lace
the maid of honor, Miss Moncrieff, wore
pink crepe de chine, also trimmed with
silver lace. The bridegroom was attend-
ed by Mr. P. M. Edwards, of Ottawa,
and Mrs. Booth left in Mr. Booth's
private car for New York and other
points.

A LADY BARRISTER.

Among several who were called to the
bar in Toronto on Friday last was Miss
Gertrude B. Robinson of St. Thomas.
Anneline Irvine, K. C., pre-
sented Miss Robinson and eight young
men to the Court, when they were sworn
in and entered as barristers-at-law.
The ceremony was conducted by Mr.
Justice Robinson. Miss Robinson who is
Ontario's third young lady barrister, is
the daughter of the late Mr. J. A. Rob-
inson, of St. Thomas, the well-known
lawyer. She is connected with a law
office in that city, and for the past five
years has attended Law School. The
field of her labors will be St. Thomas.
Several of her friends were present.
Miss Clara B. Martin, of Toronto, and
Miss E. M. Fowler, of Port Arthur, are
the only other women lawyers in On-
tario. The latter was called to the bar
five years ago.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN.

Bulletin News Service.
Rev. A. Forbes left on this after-
noon's train for Calgary, where he will
attend the remainder of the work en-
gaged in work in the interest of the
mission field belonging to this presby-
tery.

Mrs. Donald, son, leaves this evening
for the Dominion, after spending the
summer here visiting her son, Dr.
W. B. Donald.

Rev. W. J. Howard, postmaster, A.
W. M. Campbell and Mr. Reid, of the
British Columbia Company, have gone to
Vancouver on a trip of business and
pleasure combined.

W. A. Lowery, manager of the
Occidental Insurance Company for
Alberta, is in the West today on busi-
ness. Mr. Lowery's head office is in
Calgary.

Rev. J. G. Shearer, of Toronto,
general secretary, will address a meet-
ing here in the town hall on Tuesday
October 1st, in the interests of the
Lord's Day Alliance of Canada and
will also deliver the address to the
Ladies Day Alliance of Canada.

Another vacancy took place today in
the council chamber, owing to Coun-
cillor W. G. Sherr's absence in his re-
turn from the States.

G. H. McAvoy is moving into his
new residence on Grisebach street to-
day.

Fort Saskatchewan, Sept. 23.

DOWDER CHEST FOR TROUSERS.

Not long ago, a charming old lady,
survivor of the early and real Colum-
bian days, was moved to a new resi-
dence by her granddaughter's at-
tention for an old-fashioned chest of
her.

This authority old lady lived all the
way across the continent from Edmon-
ton, but what she did in giving the
chest to the girl of eighteen was
quite a feat for women in the west in the
past. She bestowed the chest on the
girl, but only on condition that she
would fill it by degrees with dainty lin-
gerie and table linen and other neces-
saries for her delicate feminine career.

This has evolved comedy and advice
from a woman whose savings are usu-
ally worth respecting. She is to be
just that though the practical girl
may not begin the task of filling her
treasure as early as did her fore-
mothers, she is very apt to start at a
moment's notice.

Often she is moved to make a begin-
ning by the gift of a shirt or an engage-
ment present.

As her chest is not likely to be put
such as her chest, then the next
thing is to have built for her a
plain, handsome chest, about six
feet long and three feet high. This
chest is to be provided with several
drawers, the topmost one being divided
into a number of compartments.
Should even this prove too expensive,
any good-sized wooden box, rather
larger than a chest, will do, and turn-
ed into a chest by the addition of
boards should be provided with a lock
and key.

Two or three pairs of linen sheets are
essential. These should be folded in such
a way that they will be as much
cheaper if she buys the sheets and
makes them herself. The quality
and size of the sheets depend largely
upon one's purse and their treat-
ment, however, is usually somewhat
different.

The owner's initials are worked di-
rectly in the centre of each sheet, and
the hem, and should be in letters three
inches high. The hemstitched sheets
and pillow slips are marked in the same
way.

The practical girl will be also sure
to have some extra pillow cases, hem-
stitched and monogrammed, to slip on in
the daytime over pillows that are
slightly soiled. These should be of
long hemstitched pillow slips to go over the
bottom.

In buying table linen it always pays
to get the best one can possibly afford,
as nothing so quickly wears out as the
money put into it.

Always have table linen by hand. The
quickest and easiest method is to fold
back the hem and over cast very finely.
In marking the initials, which need
not be higher than three inches, the
initials should be in the center, and
the cloth is on the table they will
be well toward the corner. When the
cloth has a big circle in the center, the
letters should be half way between the
center and the corner. Sometimes they are
in the center corner.

The marking may be either a mono-
gram, name initials or the initials
together.
If the initials are to be used, the initials
should be in the center of the square.
This marking may be in three mono-
grams, or one single initial, or one
single monogram, or one single initial.
These are all important items in a
wardrobe. As no housekeeper can ever
have too many, no married be afraid
of buying in too big a supply. They can
be the finest damask or of plain, lin-
en, buckram, hemstitched or satin.
These last have the advantage that they
can be used as luncheon cloths.

There naturally must go into the draw-
ers in the chest, pressed and folded
dermatitis one can afford. The practical
girl, however, with an eye to laundry
costs, will not indulge in overmuch lace
and embroidery, except for her very best
things; but, instead, will confine herself
to the French embroidered lingerie,
which, when done at home, is really
very inexpensive and gives perfect sat-
isfaction so long as a thread holds to-
gether.

Then the practical girl will be very
apt to put into her chest several plain
entrepreneurs, plain dresses and the small
pieces to make, for convenience. No
very expensive sets may be made of
these linen suitcases. These should be
marked either in the middle or under the
line of the plate. Another attractive
set may be made of round linen centre,
with a crocheted border, done in points.
The more elaborately embroidered lin-
en furnishings should be added after
the good stock of everyday utility things
has been laid in. And these would in-
clude such homely articles as dish tow-
els, laundry bags, rubber towels and
bath mats.

BEAUMONT.

Bulletin News Service.
Ed. Beaman has sold out his restau-
rant in Strathcona to Mr. Myers
and removed to his farm in Beaumont.

C. Snow has finished the construction
of a fine modern school for Mill
Creek, S.D. The building presents a
fine appearance and reflects credit to
the contractor and district.

Messrs. Quin, Vallieres and Dagnan,
of Montreal, who have been
visiting relatives here and looking
over the country, have returned home.
They expressed themselves as delighted
with the west.

Mr. Tremblay, of Prince Albert, is
spending a few days with relatives in
Beaumont and St. Albert.

Mr. Royer is having extensive re-
pairs made to his residence, Mr. Hod-
son of Hay Lake, having the con-
tract.

Misses Grandley and Mercer, of
Strathcona, returned home after an
enjoyable visit to friends here.

Mr. Moss, of Clearwater, said his
family had just returned from the States
and the purchaser arriving with his family
last week to take possession.

Ben-To Mr. and Mrs. Longman, a
daughter, on September 15th.
Ben-To Mr. and Mrs. P. Roberge,
son, on September 16th.
Beaumont, September 24th.

STUPID JOKE OF HIGH SCHOOL "FRAT"

Nervous Student on Initiation is Laid
in Coffin and Kept There
All Night.

Dubuque, Iowa, Sept. 25.—To lie for
ten hours in a coffin and to see
through the glass covering over the
face of the deceased, was the
stupid joke of a high school, was the
"frat" initiation. The young man
being of the nervous kind, was made
to submit to the most trying ordeal.
Gagged and bound he was taken un-
der cover of night to a farm in the
vicinity of the city.

Here he was escorted to the cellar,
long in darkness, candles were lighted
and placed about in the wall and
about the coffin. He was in a coffin
for ten hours in a coffin and to see
through the glass covering over the
face of the deceased. The covering was soon
removed from his eyes and he awoke
to a realization that he was in a coffin.
There was sufficient air to keep him
from asphyxiating and he remained
in that position all through the night
and released in the morning by friends.

Mother Cares for Son's Crime.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 25.—Harry
Steen, alias Harry Walle, serving five
years in Ohio penitentiary, has been
declared, according to Pittsburg
news, the murderer of Contractor
Samuel Ferguson, who was killed
Sept. 22, 1903, at West Milford,
Pa., and robbed of \$4,000. It is re-
ported here that Steen's mother at
Pittsburg, Pa., has been notified
that her son killed Ferguson.

Man Suicides in Ontario Jail.
Mitchell, Ont., Sept. 25.—Gatlin
Phillips, who was sentenced to five
years in Central Prison for pointing a
shotgun at a neighbor, took poison in
his cell, dying early today.



The Royal Tailoring and Pantorium Co.
are now open for business and are
a position to do work on short notice
and guarantee satisfaction. They are
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DUNCAN MARSHALL,
Manager.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1907.

DECEPTIVE ARGUMENT.

So far the only reason advanced why the street railway franchise should be surrendered is that the city may not be able financially to complete the system in the immediate future and that a private company might be willing to risk premature construction, trusting to subsequent expansion of business to make good the temporary loss.

Edmonton has the best of all possible reasons for distrusting any such argument. We have tried it, and according to Commissioner Kinnaird the net result of the experiment was that we were robbed of our rural franchise for a paltry fee that has done us no good and cost us a great deal of money.

If we are to profit at all from this costly experience we must accept the conclusion that private companies are not learning to do better than they do in private enterprises. Whether under public or private auspices the Edmonton street railway system is not likely to be completed until it is a reasonable prospect of it becoming a dividend earner shortly after completion.

Nor should it be completed sooner. Street railways whether under public or private ownership are run to make money, not to lose it; they are maintained at the expense of the taxpayers, not their owners. If money is lost in the early years of operation it must be made up by tribute levied on the traffic of later years. The difference is that the city owning its own system would collect only the amount of tribute necessary to make good the deficits in a company owned system the deficits would probably be added to the costs of construction and the public made to pay both dividends and interest on the amount for all time.

There is little attraction in the theory that if a company could be persuaded to continue construction next season business would be stimulated during the summer. The theory is probably true, but the temporary expansion would be at the cost of a future depression, and the benefit of the few at the expense of the many. A season's brisk business is poor compensation for the sacrifice of a valuable franchise—especially when the briskness would be caused by the withdrawal of a system for desecrating business, creating settlement and readjusting the value of property.

~We have embarked on enormous expense for the street railway franchise, largely under the impression that by making work plentiful we could make ourselves prosperous. The results have been such that the means completely satisfactory. Frequently the expenditure has developed into extravagance, the work done under high pressure was poorly done, the service secured was not proportionate to the expense involved and the forced property expropriated clients and consequently the city means completely satisfactory. Frequently the expenditure has developed into extravagance, the work done under high pressure was poorly done, the service secured was not proportionate to the expense involved and the forced property expropriated clients and consequently the city means completely satisfactory.

MR. BORDEN CHALLENGED.

Hon. Wm. Pugsley has issued a challenge to Mr. Borden to discuss in court the campaign methods of his party in the last general election. In a speech at Fairville, N.B., last week Mr. Pugsley said he thought he knew where a half million of the Conservative corruption fund went in 1904. A couple of days later St. John, Mr. Pugsley repeated his statement and announced that if Mr. Borden is to test the truth of the charge in court he had arranged to become personally responsible for the consequences.

The correspondent of the Toronto News, a journal that certainly cannot be accused either of overweening friendship for the Government or undue coldness toward Mr. Borden, wired his paper as follows concerning the St. John message:

Continuing, Dr. Pugsley said: "Members of the Conservative party and their supporters had

made charges of fraud in electoral matters against the Government. There is, I think, too much quibbling about small matters in this regard, and rather neglect of the questions and issues of the day. The tactics of Hon. R. L. Borden are unworthy of a man holding the great position which that gentleman occupies.

Some of Mr. Borden's Parliamentary supporters are given to making reckless and unsupported statements. Mr. Bristol, M.P., for instance, on a public platform in Ontario, in Mr. Borden's presence, had said that the Government had been shown to be wholesale and retail electoral thieves. It is not for me to say which a public man should apply to the Government? Will the history of the Government or of its members warrant such a reckless and slanderous statement?

"Because I condemned Mr. Borden's course in regard to electoral purity and said that he should look to his own party first, and because I said that if the opportunity were given me in the courts I could show that an enormous sum had been raised for election purposes in 1904 by Mr. Borden's friends and supporters and those who enjoyed his confidence, and that the sum, of \$25,000, was spent in a country of this Province, the argument is made that I am dealing in generalities, and would come down to particulars. Was Mr. Bristol dealing in particulars when he made the statement mentioned? I am dealing in generalities to a far greater extent than Mr. Bristol."

"I will go a step further, and say that if Mr. Borden wishes to pick out a paper which could be held responsible for these charges he could bring an action against the St. John Sun. I have consulted the editor, and he has said that he has no plea of privilege entered as a defense to such action. It would be admitted that the statements made in the Sun are true, but the evidence would be forthcoming to prove the truth of the charges before the country. And I have such confidence in the correctness of the information that I am prepared to stand behind that paper and protect it against any possible loss in such action. I would not be deterred by the Government if I had not been prepared to hit back to its detractors and give something in greater measure than was given."

"It has been said the facts in connection with my charges should be made known. With reasonable delay any Conservative could have secured and disclose to the public some facts which would make them conclude that they had better divert their attention to public questions, and that public men had larger duties than dealing with petty subjects."

"For my part I will endeavor to be fair to my opponents and discuss public questions upon their merits. This puts it up to Mr. Borden to clear himself or to abandon his professions of a desire for political purity. The opportunity has been opened and the invitation extended; if I do not accept it it can only be because his preaching and his practice do not correspond."

ON THE SIDE.

Mr. Foster says that Halifax plan was "threwed out by the whole party." Well the western section appears to have thrown it out and found nothing but chaff.

Mail and Express. "There can be no doubt that the Conservative did well in allowing the new minister to be elected by acclamation." No doubt whatever. Two debates would have knocked the props from under the Halifax platform.

Toronto Globe: Hon. Mr. Pugsley wants Mr. Borden to explain the gathering of half a million dollars as a campaign fund in 1904. This is disgusting, and hardly fair, at a time when the Opposition leader is struggling with the gathering of another campaign fund for the next election.

The Financial Post considers that "the ignorance displayed by many of the western daily papers in regard to banking business is, to quote the 'Montreal Gazette,' amazing, 'stupid,' it is mischievous." Perhaps the ignorance of the Conservative Post would candidly tell us where the money went.

DEBENTURE MARKET BETTER. (Ottawa Citizen.)

That some improvement has taken place in the coupon market is attested by the fact that the city of Montreal has received for a portion of its bonds. These debentures, bearing a 12 per cent. interest, could not have been disposed of a fortnight ago for more than 85, now at least a portion of them could be sold at par, though the proper value of them is still in question, affecting a loss instead of sacrificing at debentures the city has already saved about \$100,000. The financial

committee has very wisely decided not to make any further attempts until it can realize their proper value. In other parts of Canada Ottawa is being congratulated on its luck in securing the loan, and thus putting it beyond the reach of the unscrupulous spring financiers who were sparing no pains to bear the bond market.

EXPLAIN MR. MCCARTHY.

(Calgary Alberta.)

At a meeting of Conservatives, held a few days ago, M.S. McCarthy, the Conservative member of parliament, made the statement that the Conservative had won in Calgary every election since 1896.

The Conservatives did not win in the provincial election of 1905. Then according to Mr. McCarthy, they won an honest count of the ballots at that time. That involves the honor of many prominent people in Calgary, including the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Alberta.

No such statement has been made before. No such base insinuation against the honor of prominent Canadians has been made.

MR. PUGSLEY'S CHALLENGE.

(Montreal Herald.)

Mr. Pugsley's statement—that if Mr. Borden will deny to take note of his poor words—thinks that the sum of \$25,000 was spent by a few of the backers of the Conservative party in the general election of 1904 has already evoked quite a lot of excitement. The Montreal Gazette, for example, which was quite correct in Mr. Zandary Graham's recital of the sum, four and one-half million and a day "in the same way" until he had said "thirty thousand dollars in the Quebec district, while 'giving assistance' in the form of 'bribe' in most of the other provinces, is quite agitated over Mr. Pugsley's declaration, and seems to think the speech may mark the beginning of an epoch in Canadian politics.

Mr. Borden might as well begin to notice the statement of the Halifax Herald, the newspaper most friendly to him in his old clime, which intimated a while ago that the Halifax Conservative corruption fund for Nova Scotia in the general election of 1904 was \$75,000, large blocks of which were probably spent in a few constituencies whose identity was left to guess. Until he gets the details about this \$75,000, and a complete account of Mr. Graham's "gifts of money," the further details promised by Mr. Pugsley to bring the total to half a million, and, incidentally, full particulars of the "La Presse" case, he will not be able to obtain for the electoral party part of his program that support from his own constituents which is so eminently desirable if he is to translate words into acts.

THE FRENCH TREATY.

(Montreal Star.)

The signing of a more extensive trade treaty between Canada and France is a satisfactory achievement from many points of view. There will be, first of all, the sentimental satisfaction in which our people, as a whole, will feel in the drawing close together of the nation, which has no large population of French origin, and the cradle of that ingenious and daring race. We were pleased in a similar manner when King Edward succeeded in reversing the traditional sentiment of centuries and establishing an "entente cordiale" between the two nations; and this treaty which Mr. Fielding has succeeded in negotiating is not a logical corollary of that understanding.

The details of the treaty will have to be discussed, of course, when they are made known. A trade treaty is a business bargain, and must be considered as such quite apart from sentimental considerations. When the time has before us we shall know whether Mr. Fielding made a business bargain, or whether it did not, it is difficult to imagine how he could have succeeded in making a bad bargain. The very fact of it is a triumph.

prehensive treaty which will encourage trade between the two peoples, is of itself so good a thing that we can hardly have paid too much for it.

There ought to be many things which Canada and France could profitably exchange if the tariff obstacles were taken out of the way. That cultural and artistic France has much to sell which Canada probably has, goes without saying. It is merely a question of how far we are yet able to afford the luxuries of life.

From an anarchy in France can import many things in the south which we want to be able to supply more cheaply and more quickly than most sources of supply upon which she can call.

Another point will be reached on the subject of this enlarged trade treaty, to more frequent visits between the people of both countries. We might possibly be able to get some of the French people to come to them to live in Canada, without leaving behind them many of the things they value—people of their own race and tongue, and a strong religious sentiment of the kind many of them cherish at home. Canada, on the other hand, cannot visit France without receiving immediate benefit along every line in which their new country cannot compete with the old. The well known fact that the beautiful, they will appreciate far better how much can do for life; and the fact that the French are so over-ment of life without that multiplication of means which we so often the last word of the decorative in this continent.

Railroads Aid Standard Oil.

New York, Sept. 25.—Frank B. Kellogg, president of the Standard Oil Company, in the suit to dissolve the Standard Oil Company, of New Jersey, has now been given evidence in his possession, it was learned today, bearing on the fact that Kellogg's case is being held in reserve.

It is charged that Mr. Kellogg has documentary evidence leading to prove that aid was given by the railroads through relatives to the Standard Oil Company during its many years when it was independent company, and which aided invariably credit in the rival concern going to the wall. Its plants and refineries being taken over by the New Jersey concern, and either abandoned or operated as part of the Standard system.

1. Montreal, Sept. 25.—G.T.P. Houston's plan to get the Grand Trunk Pacific officials and obtain a foothold in the city of Montreal is being held in reserve. It was announced that he had heard two mining claims in the heart of the town. The locations were staked by Bill-Hanna and Jimmy McClell, old Kentucky prospectors as Houston's associates, and the pair had succeeded in obtaining the claims. The claims cover a part of Main street as well as the post office area and several business properties already established. Houston, who is now in the city, is said to be working to assert his claim to the surface right. The claims are said to be located on a strike of iron, which has been properly filed at Port Simpson.

First Section of G.T.P.

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—Collingwood Schreiber, chief engineer of the National Transcontinental Railway, says that the Grand Trunk Pacific will be completed from Saskatoon to Winnipeg and for traffic before the close of the year. Mr. Schreiber has the assurance of the G.T.P. that this will be done.

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